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ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEPARTURE OF
KARPUNIN, ALEKSEEV AND MININ.

From: CANBERRA

To: MOSCOW

No: 160

22 May 1945

To Comrade DEKANOZOV[i].

As we informed you, up to now the Department has allotted us no places on the ship. Today [3 groups unrecovered] again assured me that places will be allotted for KARPUNIN[ii], ALEKSEEV[iii] and MININ[iv], on the first ship sailing for the U.S.A. Unless we are given places in the near future, then the question of the projected departure of KARPUNIN will be complicated, [his][a] wife

[12 groups unrecoverable]

[2][a] - 3 weeks after the confinement of his wife.

22nd May 1945

SOLDATOV[v]

[T.N. and Comments overleaf]

Distribution

T.N.: [a] Inserted by translator.

- Comments: [i] Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs. Note that this message is of a type normally sent in the diplomatic cipher. It is thought that in CANBERRA the MGB and diplomatic messages were all handled by one cipher clerk, and that, in the case of this message and message no. 161 of the same date (to be published shortly), the wrong cipher and pad were used in error.
- [ii] KARPUNIN, Aleksej Aleksandrovich: Attaché at the Soviet Legation in CANBERRA 5th March 1943 to January 1946.
- [iii] ALEKSEEV, Vyacheslav Aleksandrovich: Clerk at the Soviet Legation in CANBERRA March 1943 to June 1945.
- [iv] MININ, Petr Mikhajlovich: Clerk at the Soviet Legation in CANBERRA May 1943 to June 1945.
- [v] SOLDATOV, Aleksandr Alekseevich: at this time Chargé d'Affaires at the Soviet Legation in CANBERRA.
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